

Madison Traditional Academy
Hoots & Hollers

A Note from the Guild

Happy Friday!

We would like to thank all the parents who made it to the first Guild meeting this past Monday. The turnout was fantastic, and it was great to see everyone. MTA has such amazing and committed families!

After months of submitted requests, research and meetings, we were thrilled to pass the 2011-2012 budget and spend \$90,000 towards bettering our campus and classrooms. This is a very unique year for MTA, and we have had to plan without knowing all the facts. We realize that we may have to pay for additional, one-time expenses as we progress. For instance, our field is designed for regulation softball but not for baseball. There are Guild members currently researching retrofitting the field so that our baseball team can host games. Also, our beautiful new library needs to be filled with books. Although we've allotted a generous amount, we may need to release additional funds to assure that we have a well-stocked library. These are just some examples, and we welcome input from all families to identify areas of need. We've spent years working very hard to raise funds, and we will spend those dollars wisely once we have all the facts.

We've enrolled our children at MTA because we want them to have an environment where they can achieve and be their best. Should the time arise where we must allocate substantial funds to unforeseen items, we will announce the need in advance and take a vote from the Membership at a Guild meeting.

Thank you all MTA families for your generous donations of time and financial support. We couldn't do it without you, and we will all need to continue our support as MTA grows.

Sincerely,

Bridget Querciagrossa and April Snider
Guild co-Presidents

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Important Dates & Events

9/21 Wednesday
Half-day, 11:30 Release

9/21 Wednesday
MTA Family Event
5& Diner - 5220 N. 16th St.
Noon - 9p.m.

9/28 Wednesday
Half-day, 11:30 Release

9/30 Friday
MTA T-shirt Day

10/5 Wednesday
Full-day, 3:00 release

10/7 Friday
Donuts with Dads, 7:15a.m.

10/7 Friday
Half-day, 11:30 release

For those of you who were not able to attend the Guild meeting on 9/12, meeting minutes will soon be posted on www.mtaguild.org. The next Guild meeting will be on **October 10th at 6:30pm.**

FALL AUCTION AND SOCIAL November 5, 2011

(Only 8 short weeks away)

We need your help, and you can receive
volunteer hours too!

HOW SHOULD YOU HELP?

Contact any friends, family, colleagues,
work place, business (encourage your
company to make a donation) etc.
It is simple, drop off a letter asking for a
donation, then follow up to collect the
gift certificate or item.

If you are unsure of what to do, or if someone has
already contacted that person or business,
send one of us an email and we can help:

Carolyn Albin carolynalbin@msn.com

Trina Cook cookitt@cox.net

*Please, please help make our MTA Auction
successful. It benefits every one of our children
and provides them with more enriching
opportunities at MTA.*



Need Volunteer Hours?

*There are many interesting ways to meet your
2-hour monthly volunteer commitment.*

Just ask!!!

www.mtaguild.org info@mtaguild.org

THANK YOU

To Trina Cook and Lori Corn for their hard
work in setting up shelving, unpacking and
organizing the Parent/Guild Room. Much
appreciated!

Health Hoots

From Staci and Meagan, our MTA Health Aides



IMMUNIZATIONS:

State law requires students to have immunizations to
attend school. Students who do not have the required
immunizations or are overdue for the next in the
immunization series will be excluded from school.

Required immunizations include:

- Hepatitis B - series of 3 doses
- DTaP (diphtheria, tetanus and peruses) or Td - 3 to 6 doses
- Polio - 3 to 5 doses
- MMR (measles, mumps and rubella) -2 doses
- Varicella (chicken pox) -starting in the 2005-06 school year

6th, 7th and 8th Grades:

- Tdap if it has been 5 years since last DTaP or Td
- Meningitis vaccine when student is age 11 or older

If your child's immunizations are not up to date we will
be contacting you by phone or mail. You will have 10
days after receipt of a letter to get immunizations
updated. Please contact us with any questions!

Staci and Meagan
MTA Health Office
(602) 745-4020



WHOOOOOOOO ARE YOU?

Where are you from? I was born and raised in Des Moines, Iowa. I moved to Phoenix when I was 19 and have been here ever since, minus a year and a half spent in Dallas, Texas for my husband's job.

Where did you go to college? I attended ASU and am a proud Sun Devil!

What was your inspiration to become a teacher? I fell in love with the look that children give you when they realize that have learned something new and exciting. Especially now being a mother of two very small children, I have a great respect for what teachers bring to the classroom. I am so proud to be a part of it.

How long have you been teaching? This is my very first teaching job and I am happy to be starting my journey here at MTA.

What is your favorite thing about being a teacher? I love engaging in the day to day conversations with my students to find out what they know and what they are excited about learning.

Why did you choose teaching in the elementary/middle school level? Third grade is great because they have such independent spirits but still think that you are pretty cool to spend every day with.

What do you do when you're not teaching at MTA? When I am not at school you will find me out in our back yard swimming with my two little fish, Sophie (2 & 1/2) and Dominic (just turned 1 on the 15th of Sept.), or shopping of course.

What are your favorite books? I am addicted to all books but my favorites are mystery/crime novels.

What is your favorite food? My favorite food is definitely seafood. Give me sushi or crab any day of the week and I am a happy little clam!!





Last year, MTA Earned over \$1000 from the Fresh and Easy program.

SAVE YOUR Fresh and Easy RECEIPTS!

Beginning 09/15/11, please save your **FRESH AND EASY** receipts for \$20 or more.

MTA will get \$1 for every \$20 you spend at ANY Fresh and Easy store.

An example: If the receipt is \$65, **MTA** gets \$3. If the receipt is \$39, we get only \$1 because it is short of \$40 - the next \$20 increment.

You can drop them off with your child's teacher or in the front office. There is a drop off box also in the Parent/Guild room, down the hall in the front office.

ALL PURCHASES ARE INCLUDED including alcohol and **GIFT CARDS!** Collect receipts from your friends, family and coworkers-just ask!



Shop at TARGET...Earn **FREE** Money for MTA!

It's SO easy, and only takes a few minutes!

1. Take your ID and a check with you to customer service or a cashier at any Target store.
2. You'll be issued a temporary Target REDcard Debit Card connected to your checking account. **Effective immediately, YOU will get a 5% discount on this purchase and all future purchases you make with your REDcard!**
3. When you get your REDcard in the mail, call 1-800-316-6142 or go online at www.target.com/tcoe to designate Madison Traditional Academy (ID #150436) as your school. Then, **MTA will start earning a 1% donation on all of your purchases.**

You can also get a Target REDcard Credit Card with the same 5% discount and 1% school donation. Apply in-store or online at www.target.com/redcard

**Do you fill your Prescriptions at Target?
Ask me about the REDcard Target Pharmacy Rewards Program
for even BIGGER DISCOUNTS!**

Questions? Contact Heather Cook at hjcook@cox.net



Spirit Night!

Support our school and a local business!

Bring your family, friends, neighbors, or coworkers for a fifties flair dinner at 5 & Diner with Madison Traditional Academy! Join us as we fill up on mouthwatering hamburgers, great tasting milkshakes, and more. Young or mature, they've got something for everyone!

Take Out or Dine In

WHEN: Wednesday, September 21, 2011 from 12pm to 9pm.

WHERE: 5 & Diner | 5220 North 16th Street Phoenix AZ 85016 | 602.264.5220



20% Donation to MTA

Remember: Bring in this flyer with you to 5 & Diner and MTA will receive 20% of your bill. Flyer must be presented for our school to receive this offer so don't forget it! Valid only on Wednesday, September 21, 2011.

Looking for Volunteer Hours?

As you can see from this Hoots issue, volunteers are very much needed for collecting Safeway receipts AND securing donations for the Fall Auction and Social.

In addition, there is a **high need** for volunteers for:

Vision and Hearing Screening – October 6th and 7th. *Several volunteers are needed!* The more hours you can contribute the better, due to training reasons. Please contact Shelley Martin to sign up: smartin@submort.com.

Mad Money: Capri Sun/HonestKids Program – Volunteers needed to help collect, clean and sort pouches (can be done on parent's own time). Contact Mara Hayes for info: maramau5@hotmail.com.

Volunteers Needed to Collect Safeway Receipts at 7th Avenue & Osborn Safeway Store



Come out to earn your volunteer hours and money for MTA. Monies earned help support art, music, library, teacher supplies, and sport programs. Any questions, email Jo Ellen at jemcbride5@cox.net.

Sign up on the volunteer website at:

<http://www.volunteerspot.com/login/entry/1823456345723780127>

